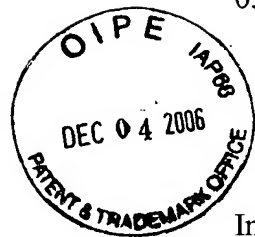


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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, other than the U.S. patent documents, are enclosed.

Japan 2003-322633, Japan 2003-322630, Japan 2002-355026, and WO 01/96019 were cited in the International Search Report and/or Written Opinion which issued in the corresponding international application. A copy of the International Search Report and a copy of the Written Opinion are enclosed.

The following documents are discussed at the following pages of the specification:

<u>Documents</u>	<u>Page(s)</u>
U.S. Patent No. 5,108,926	2
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An English-language abstract for each of the Japanese documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 is enclosed. In addition, WO 01/96019 includes an English-language abstract on its cover page.

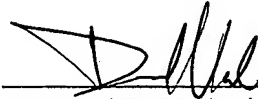
U.S. Patent No. 6,833,112 is believed to be in the same patent family as WO 01/96019, U.S. Publication No. 2006/0177877 is believed to be in the same patent family as Japan 2002-328124, U.S. Publication No. 2002/0182721 is believed to be in the same patent family as Japan 2002-355026, and WO 97/45730 is believed to be in the same patent family as Japan 2000-512009.

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